

“A Pathway Towards Independence and Employment”

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Dear parents and carers,

We had a very exciting week at Phoenix College as students received some new PPE (personal protective equipment) and uniforms for different courses. They looked great in their new *Catering* aprons! And how “cool” are those new assistant coach t-shirts for *Fitness*?

Students have been working hard towards their individual targets and we are looking forward to our multi-disciplinary review of those during our IMPLEMENTATION DAY on the 5th June.

Please remember that college will be closed for students on that day.

FREEDOM PASSES

We are rapidly approaching the end of the academic year and unfortunately not all students have their Freedom Passes yet. As mentioned in my letters to you since September, all students must have their Freedom Passes with them when attending Phoenix College.

Students who do not have a Freedom Pass might not be able to enrol to Phoenix College next academic year

All our students have the right to travel for free with their Freedom Pass and that is an essential part of our curriculum

OPEN HOUSE

MONDAY, 22nd May – 3.15pm to 7.00pm

Our next Open House is approaching rapidly and we are looking forward to welcoming again current, former and potential students, their parents and families. This term’s Open House will take place on the 22nd of May.

Please save the date!

PARENTS FORUM

TUESDAY, 06th June – 4pm to 5pm

During our next Parents Forum we will discuss the calendar for social twilights during the next academic year. Our proposal is to add two new social twilights to our calendar by removing one term time day. I will send you a more detailed proposal before the half-term break.

Please save the date!

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THIS WEEK



This term’s theme in Catering is everyone’s favourite: ‘Desserts’. Our young master chefs have been working extremely hard. They have been creating and following simple healthy dessert recipes independently whilst understanding individual dietary needs. I have to say, all the students looked amazing and professional in their new chef whites. Students have been out in the community and to local shopping centres researching new recipes, which they can put together to create a final dish of their choice. Students have been working



hard to meet targets and learn new transferable skills in the catering industry which will further help them in the world of work.

Mohammed Ahmed, Catering Instructor

It has been a good week for all classes during *Fitness*. In preparation for Sports Day, students have been working on how to plan for many events, researching the correct equipment required for these events and practising how to be assistants for events. This week the students had fun wearing our new assistant coach T-shirts, working together in small groups to find the correct equipment needed for activities and offering help to their friends. Great work from all classes! Please see the photos on the next page.

Darren Serrano-Griffiths, Fitness Instructor

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Mohamed came a long way in Frank's class since we started this academic year in September. It is lovely to see that he became a valued member of the group. He is working hard to adapt to this lively, chatty environment, and showing a lot of progress with his social interactions month by month. This week he started to use a written 'now and next board' to help him focus on tasks during sessions and worked independently in *Digital World* when we gathered information about video streams. Great job, Mohamed!

Frank Kasa, eLearning Instructor



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This week's Festive Friday goes to Saira Yasin due to the progress she has made this week with the continuous use of her Core Board in communicating and interacting with staff and students throughout the week. She has been very attentive and showed excellent listening skills and has constantly taken her Core Board during transitions without prompting or any staff support. Saira has also helped staff in re-arranging work folders to make it neater and more efficient. Saira progress has exponentially gone up this week and staff are very pleased with her achievements. Well done, Saira - keep up the good work.

Muhammed, Anila and Elena

Have a great weekend,



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